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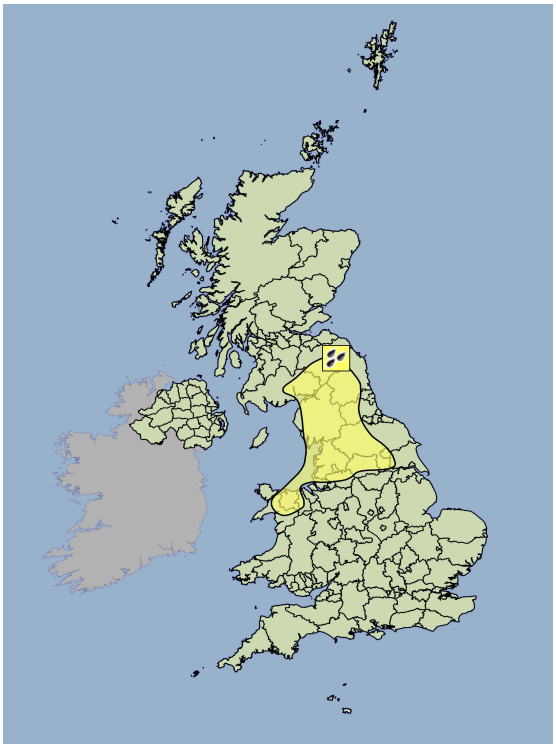

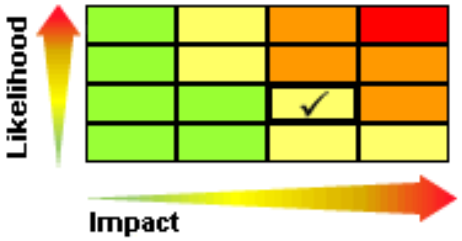

Chief Forecasters Assessment
Rain, persistent and heavy at times, is expected to spread north across the UK on Christmas Day and Boxing Day. During Boxing Day the frontal system which brings the heaviest and most prolonged rain, is expected to become slow-moving across parts of the warning area. 50 to 80 mm is likely to fall quite widely over high ground, with around 120 mm possible over the most exposed sites.

Despite continuing uncertainties in frontal position and therefore rainfall amounts, evidence suggests that rainfall may be sufficient to cause some medium levels of disruption due to flooding. Given sensitivities over Cumbria, the likelihood of medium impacts is higher here and as a result an Amber warning has been issued covering parts of the county.

This warning will be reviewed this (Thursday) afternoon and further updates are likely in the coming days.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Rain**

Valid from **15:00 on Fri, 25th Dec 2015** until **23:45 on Sat, 26th Dec 2015**

Outbreaks of rain will gradually spread north across Wales and northern England through the course of Christmas Day, reaching southern Scotland later. The rain will be heavy at times, particularly over high ground and will persist through much of Boxing Day.

Be aware of the potential for flooding and some disruption to transport.

This is an update to the warning, first issued on Wednesday morning, to include latest estimates of rainfall amounts and to adjust the boundaries southwards across parts of Greater Manchester and Merseyside, and eastwards into the East Riding of Yorkshire. Over southern Scotland the likelihood of medium impacts remains very low.

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  - Blackpool
  - Cumbria
  - Greater Manchester
  - Lancashire
  - Merseyside
  - Warrington
- SW Scotland, Lothian Borders
  - Dumfries and Galloway
  - Scottish Borders
- Wales
  - Conwy
  - Denbighshire
  - Gwynedd
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